Wang Yanfang is currently advocating for the release of her husband, human rights lawyer Tang Jingling.

His clients have included villagers fighting government corruption and victims of illegal land appropriation.

In 2006, Tang's license to practice law in China was suspended, after which he became involved in a non-violent civil disobedience movement in China.

In 2012, he was detained for five days following his work investigating the death of a human rights defender.

In 2014, Tang was detained on suspicion of "inciting subversion of state power" in the weeks leading up to the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Chinese government's violent crackdown on the 1989 Tiananmen Square student protests.

Tang was tried in July 2015, along with two other prominent political advocates.